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TITLE OF INVENTION: HYDRODYNAMIC THRUST BEARING

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In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated May 9, 2005,
 Applicants submit herewith the Part B – Fees Transmittal Form, PTOL-85, a check in the
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